

A CLEVER JEU D'ESPRIT.

The St. Louis Pilot publishes the following capital jeu d'esprit, which is highly characteristic of Benton's rude madness. It is very much on a par with his silly, pompous and raving speeches and letters.

WASHINGTON CITY, Aug. 8 1854.

To the Editor of the Missouri Democrat:

Sir: In 1846 I stated repeatedly in my public speeches in the State of Missouri, (God bless the State,) that the old saying that "Republicans are ungrateful" was a falsehood and a calumny; and I am now fully convinced of the truth of the old saying—Republicans are ungrateful. I have been beaten for Congress in my own district, and I know, sir, that no such result could have been produced except by the basest ingratitude, sir. Am I not Old Bullion, sir? Did not I, solitary and alone, put the ball of the Expunging Resolution in motion? Did not I advocate in many speeches the reduction of the duty on Salt? Did not I throttle and kill that monster, the United States Bank? Was not I in the Senate for thirty years, sir? Tell me, sir, that Republicans are grateful, sir? No sir—and if you affirm to the contrary, sir, you are a liar and a dirty dog, sir—misrepresenting the truth for criminal purposes, sir. But I know who it was that beat me, sir—it was not the Whigs, sir—it was the Nullifiers, sir—they are scamps and rotten, sir—they must have been in conclave with the 6,000 victims who died of cholera in St. Louis in 1849.—Yes sir, a conclave sir—con with, and chaos a key, sir—looked up with them, sir. And sir, I assert in the shade of Calhoun, sir—looked up with them, and held their key, sir. For these base conspirators against me and mine, sir, are nothing but adjuncts of Calhoun, sir—yes sir, adjuncts of Calhoun, sir—joined to him, sir. Ad, to, and junctus joined. Yours irreverently, THOS. H. BENTON.

An extraordinary abduction took place in the city of Natchez recently. A little boy, two years old, the son of Mr. Pasbach, of that city, was stolen from his mother by a man named Drury, living twelve miles from Natchez. When the human theft was discovered, a party of armed men followed to the rescue, and arrived at Drury's house late in the night. They found all parties in bed, the little abducted fellow sleeping soundly and easily between Drury and his wife! The man was incarcerated in Natchez jail and the child returned to its mother. Mr. Pasbach, however, on learning that Drury was drunk when he kidnapped the child, and that he was an honest and industrious man of good character, abandoned the prosecution, and the man was set free. The singular reason assigned by him for taking the child while intoxicated was that himself and wife had been long married, were without offspring, and he had determined upon the possession of a baby "by hook or crook."

GAVE HIM THE MITTEN.—"Ah, mon dieu! mon dieu," said Monsieur Melemon to his friend Shifflins, "my sweetheart has given me de mittin'."

"Indeed—how did that happen?"

"Well, I thought I must go to make her visit before I leave town; so I step in de room, and I behold her beautiful pairson stretch out on von lazy."

"A lounge, you mean?"

"Ah, yes—von lounge. And den I make von ver polite branch, and—"

"You mean a polite bow?"

"Ah, yes von lough. And den I say I was ver sure she would be decayed, if I did not come to see her before I—"

"You say what?"

"I said she would be decayed if—"

"That's enough. You have 'put your foot in it,' to be sure."

"No, sir, I put my foot out of it, for she says she would call her sacre big brother and kick me out; so I intended to say mortified, but I could not think of the word, and mortify and decay is all de same as von, in my dictionaire."

ANOTHER KNOW NOTHING.—A sea of meadows was before him, its green surfaceaving regularly to the breeze and every wing betokened a houseless traveller, and lonely night.—Suddenly he caught a glimpse of smoke, and hurrying to it, he found a little cabin with a buxom, handsome woman of some 25 years, its only occupant. Without alighting from his horse, our friend first enquired for his way.

"My good woman, which is the way to P—"

"A little settlement, as he thought some ten miles off."

"I know nothing about it at all"—was the woman's rather unsatisfactory response.

"Well, my good woman how far from here is the main road to D—"

"Naming the point of his destination, again inquired the anxious traveller."

"I know nothing about that either, returned the occupant of the cabin."

"But my good woman you certainly must know the road to S—"

"Naming the place which he had left that morning."

"I know nothing about that either, I tell ye, once more broke forth from the lips of the female."

"Well, madam, I'm sorry for that; but can you tell me the road to any place?"

"I finally enquired our friend, thinking that some information, no matter what, was better than a vast negative of knowledge."

"I tell ye, I know nothing whatsoever, I'm just married! Can't you be satisfied?"

Wilkinson Whig.

Washington National Monument.—The government of Greece has forwarded to Washington a block of marble, taken from the Parthenon order, "that it may serve to adorn, however humbly, the monument destined to perpetuate the remembrance of the great founder of American independence."

Horrible to Relate.—What is the matter Julia, you look as sorrowful as a sick lap dog? "Oh, don't perplex me, that's a dear; my grief is too great for utterance. I have had such an awful vision;—I actually dreamed that Ross Smith had got a new silk dress."

Dick who was hung at Dayton, Ohio the other day, was inclined to have no faith in any religion but the Catholic; yet he was visited occasionally by Protestant ministers. About a week before he was hung he was asked by one of these gentlemen, a wotbey and talented man—"Have you any objection to my praying with you?" "I guess not," said Dick, "every little helps."

The toothache may be cured by holding in the right hand a certain root—the root of the tooth.

Democratic Pioneer.



TUESDAY MORNING, Sept. 26, 1854

N. C. AGRICULTURAL FAIR.

The citizens of Raleigh are making extensive arrangements for the holding of the second annual Fair of the North Carolina Agricultural Society in that city beginning on the 17th of October ensuing. A public meeting was held there on the 12th inst., and committees appointed to take charge of visitors and see that they are properly bestowed. The Fair grounds are being fitted up and improved for the benefit of exhibitors, and all articles intended for exhibition will pass free over the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad.

THE SENATORSHIP.—The Washington Daily Globe says: "It is stated that the election of the Hon. J. C. Dobbin, as United States Senator from North Carolina, has been definitely arranged, and that Mr. Mallory, of Florida, will succeed him as head of the Navy Department."

We cannot but regret to see the publication of such announcements as the above. Whether written by an indiscreet friend or a malignant enemy of Mr. Dobbin, its tendency is to prejudice the claims of that gentleman to the distinguished position alluded to. Who "arranged" this matter? The people of North Carolina are fully competent to take care of their own interests; the Legislature of the State is the tribunal, and the only tribunal, authorized to settle the question of the Senatorship; and dictation or interference from any other quarter will be indignantly spurned as officious intermeddling. No surer means could have been adopted, of injuring Mr. Dobbin; and we protest against any man's being prejudiced by such ridiculous stuff, emanating from Washington City or elsewhere.

Mr. Charles C. Clark, editor of the Newbern Atlantic, has disposed of his paper to Mr. J. H. Muse, who has changed its name to the "Newbern Journal." And its change of name is not all—for its principles are also changed from Whig to Democratic. The late editor in announcing the change of owner, name and principles of the "Atlantic," says:

"The Journal will advocate the measures of the Democratic Party, which I very much regret. I could find no Whig purchaser; and reasons variant in their character, the most important of which would knock down any man looking alone to his wits for support, compelled me to sell to whom I could."

Whig purchasers of newspapers are getting scarce, and we are glad to see Whig papers sold to Democratic purchasers. Democracy is progressive, while Whiggery is retrogressive.

We welcome the "Journal" into our ranks, and with it abundant success under Democratic auspices.

THE WHIGS AND FOREIGNERS.

Two years ago (says the Richmond Enquirer) General Scott and the Whig leaders traveled the entire country, pleading for foreign Catholic votes and denouncing Gen. Pierce and the Democratic party as being their enemies. Every whig paper took the same course. Gen. Scott loved the rich Irish brogue and sweet German accent, and his toadies swallowed the declaration with thrilling satisfaction. The only bid ever made in this country for foreign Catholic votes was made by the Whig party, under the lead of General Scott, and now that some party have shifted their ground, and are endeavoring to strengthen their party by abuse of foreigners. A party without principle, is an unprincipled party.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.—A call is published in many papers of the State, for a general Convention of the friends of internal improvement to be held at Salisbury on Thursday the 2d of November. The object of the Convention will be to consider and recommend a general system of Internal Improvement, by Rail Roads, for the State.

The call is pretty largely signed by citizens of Rowan, Alexander, Anson, Bertie, Burke, Beaufort, Bancombe, Cumberland, Catawba, Cleveland, Columbus, Chowan, Caldwell, Duplin, Davie, Edgecombe, Granville, Guilford, Haywood, Iredell, Johnston, Sinclair, Montgomery, Northampton, New Hanover, Onslow, Randolph, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson, Stokes, Surry, Stanly, Wayne, Wake and Yadkin; and the other counties are requested to send delegates to the Convention.

FALL ELECTIONS.—The following is a list of the States yet to vote this fall, and the time of holding the elections:

Pennsylvania,	October 10
Ohio,	October 10
Indiana,	October 10
Massachusetts,	November 13
New York,	November 7
New Jersey,	November 7
Illinois,	November 7
Michigan,	November 7
Wisconsin,	November 7

The Forrest Divorce Case is said to be still on the carpet. An elaborate bill of exceptions has been prepared and a motion for a new trial is to be argued when Mr. John Van Buren, counsel for Mr. Forrest, returns from Europe. It is said that no payments have yet been made to Mrs. Forrest, on account of the alimony awarded her; the appellant having given security to abide the event.—N. Y. Com. Ad.

THE MADNESS OF PARTY.

At no period within our recollection, nor, we believe, within the recollection of any man, has the spirit of abolition fanaticism been more rampant than at the present time. The passage of the Nebraska-Kansas bill, together with the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, seems to have given a fresh impulse to the fanaticism of the Northern agitators, and now they appear to be wrought up to the highest pitch of demoniacal madness. Even the liberty of speech—hitherto regarded as one of the most sacred bulwarks of republican freedom—has been ruthlessly trampled under foot by them, and they have given evidences of a determination not to tolerate the expression of sentiments variant from their own. The administration is denounced, and every man who sustained it in its late adjustment of the territorial controversy is denounced, in terms of unmeasured bitterness.

By a combination—or, as it is now called, a "fusion"—of all the odds and ends of all the miserable factions that infest the free States; Whiggery, Free-soilism, Know-Nothingism, Maine-Liquor-Lawism, and all the other isms—the Democracy have been defeated in several elections lately held in Northern States. We admit the fact, that the Democracy have been defeated. The best of parties, standing upon the best of principles, are liable to occasional defeat; and when the disaffected madcaps of all factions fraternize with each other and unite in a common effort to overthrow a single adversary, ephemeral victory sometimes perches upon their mongrel banner. Log-cabins, con-skins, hard cider, and kindred humbugs, triumphed over the old Democracy in 1840; and since that day, all manner of shifts and expedients have been resorted to by desperate political gamblers to accomplish the same object. And we regret to say, that in some of the State elections recently held at the North they have succeeded. But success achieved under such circumstances must be transitory.

We are not surprised at the course of these "fusionists" of the North. Necessity makes strange bed-fellows; and hence it is no marvel to witness the welding together of incongruous elements into a heterogeneous mass of isms. Men stung by defeat and maddened by disaster, sometimes become reckless and even desperate; and if recklessness and desperation may be attributed to any factions, most worthy are those of the North of the ascription. Nor are we surprised at the temporary defeat of the Democracy at the hands of such an unholy combination. Let, then, the Northern fanatics enjoy their brief triumph, for it will be but ephemeral.

But we are surprised somewhat—if, indeed, anything can now surprise us—at the gusto with which Southern Whigs triumphantly boast of the rebuke which they allege has been administered to the administration and the Democratic party. They laud us, and chuckle at our defeat, with a zest which indicates the highest satisfaction. They roll it as a sweet morsel under their tongues; and one would suppose, from their demonstrations of pleasure, that they had achieved a signal triumph. They do not indeed claim it as a Whig victory, *eo nomine*. But what is the difference? They rejoice over what they are pleased to denominate a Democratic defeat; and even though that defeat should involve themselves in the terrible consequences, yet a Democratic defeat is made the cause of Whig rejoicing! It is enough for them to know that the Democracy are routed; and like Samson of old, they seem willing to witness the crumbling of the pillars of the Constitution, and themselves share a common ruin, if only the Democracy may also be crushed! Could madness go farther?

The Whig party at the North is utterly unreasoned and rotten on the slavery question. They have eschewed all connection with their Southern brethren, and united themselves to the numberless factions of every description there, in a war upon the Democracy. It is an established fact, for which the records of the country are avouched, that the only conservative party at the North, upon the subject of slavery, is the Democratic party. And yet, with a strange infatuation, Southern Whigs are found rejoicing in the defeat of the latter by the former! *Cui bono?* What is the good of it? Look at the character of the "fusionists" at the North, and of the victories they have achieved. They are all dead against Southern interests and Southern honor. They are all aimed at the institution of slavery—a Southern institution. And yet, forsooth, so deep is the spirit of malignant hatred to their ancient adversary, that Southern Whigs rise up and proclaim it a defeat of the Democracy—as if that defeat was not freighted with as many deep disasters and heavy woes to themselves as to the Democracy! Upon this question, the interests of all Southern men are identical. Their destiny is the same. Why, then, should Southern Whigs exult over the success of a mongrel combination, whose chief and sole object is the disturbance of the peace of the South? What surer means could be employed to bring about a severance of the bonds that now unite the Union as a common brotherhood? The time has come when the South should be united as a man, and when Northern fanatics should receive no encouragement—nay, should be sternly rebuked—by all Southern men. Still, Southern Whigs cling to the shadow of a defunct organization with the tenacity of desperation and the zeal of devotees!

Godley's Lady's Book, for October, has been received. An excellent No.

[Correspondence of the Pioneer.]

RAWLEY SPRINGS, VA., Sept. 20, 1854.

MR. EDITOR:—It being quite unfashionable (what slaves we are to fashion!) to remain in the cities during the hot Summer months, all who can seek some cool spot in the country, or resort to some fashionable watering place on the seaboard or in the mountains. The springs in the mountains of Virginia have a world-wide reputation for the healing properties of their waters, and are, withal, most pleasant resorts for social enjoyment. Hence numberless crowds from all parts of the Union flock to these mountains in search of either health or pleasure—or perhaps both. In obedience to the requirements of one or the other of these powerful moving causes, I, like the rest, must needs leave the city, and though, from a very brief but delightful visit to your famous watering place, "Nags Head," on a former occasion, I had a strong partiality for that retreat, yet controlling circumstances caused me to bend my steps towards the mountains of Virginia. So I took the cars at the Central Railroad Depot, Richmond, and off we started for the mountains—the train being filled with passengers who were wending their way thither, some for the purpose of display, and others to recuperate their feeble health; and lastly, (from the appearance of several bright-eyed, joyous looking misses) building castles in the air and devising schemes how they might conquer the most hearts; these and such like thoughts would intrude upon me, as there was little to attract attention on the road from Richmond to Charlottesville, until we arrived at the iron bridge, which caused a suspension of our breathing faculties for several seconds, when we again relapsed into indifference as to outward appearances, and were not aroused till we got in sight of Monticello, the seat of Thomas Jefferson, and by association rendered sacred to every patriot's heart. In a few moments we were in the thriving town of Charlottesville which can boast of the noblest literary institution in the Union. The buildings are beautiful and well arranged, but I think the citizens are culpable in not exerting themselves to have a walk way extending from the university to main street. But we are again en route for Stanton and having never crossed the blue ridge, I had not the slightest idea of the transcendently beautiful scenery that met my gaze at every turn; and while slowly wending our way over the temporary track erected until the great tunnel is completed, our thoughts became elevated while gazing out at the glorious landscape spread out before us; and looking from nature up to nature's God, I could but inwardly exclaim—"The hand that made it is divine." Range after range of undulating mountains, covered with a soft blue mist, wound gracefully along for miles, and I shall not soon forget the thrilling sensation produced by the last lingering look I took of that enchanting scenery.—But the cars are in sight of Staunton, chiefly noted as the locality of the Lunatic Asylum and the Blind and Dumb Institution, both unsurpassed for beauty of architecture. Apart from these, the place possesses but few attractions; consequently we tarried but a short time, and took the stage early next morning to get to Harrisonburg—a charming little town about 25 miles distant—to breakfast. After partaking of a hearty meal we stepped into a rude hack which was to convey us to our destination—the Rawley Springs, they being some 12 miles yet ahead, and over the roughest road I ever travelled. We were however compensated for the hard jolts we got by listening to the agreeable conversation of a stranger we took in at the goodly town of H., who was a young lawyer, *alias* lady-killer; and, be sure, our hearts beat high with the hope of making a conquest, when lo! on reaching the springs this delectable unknown had come to see his lady love! This was a damper; but speedily rallying from such a defeat in the outset we determined to enjoy ourselves, as well as derive as much benefit as possible from the water, which is said to be the strongest chalybeate in the State—hence our selection of said springs. They are romantically located in a wild, rocky portion of western Virginia. The medicinal qualities of the water being the chief attraction, this particular place is rarely ever crowded with visitors; yet we had quite enough to make our sojourn there pleasant and agreeable. Having some little curiosity about me, I desired to penetrate beyond the limits of Rawley, and hearing there were some springs styled Union about three miles distant, a party was gotten up, and off we started in search of them. Being but a poor equestrian, I came very near having a *bona fide* adventure, as, on descending the mountain, I found myself and saddle on the horse's neck, in close proximity to his ears—but saved myself by springing to the ground, preferring to walk—and began to think there was more truth than poetry in the sentiment.

"The distance lends enchantment to the view And robes the mountain in its azure hue."

Nor did I have cause to alter my opinion on reaching Union springs; I had never conceived of any place on the globe so rude, wild and uninhabitable. The poet would doubtless have selected it when he gave utterance to the sentiment

"Oh! for a lodge in some vast wilderness"

A few rude cabins huddled together on occupied save by one or two, was all that greeted our eyes; and after resting a short time, we gladly retraced our steps, our curiosity being more than gratified, and

we were perfectly content to put up with the accommodations Rawley afforded.

The season is now about closing here; and it is quite time this letter was following its example. So without wearying your patience farther, and with a cordial shake of the hand with the acquaintances the pleasure of whose company I have so much enjoyed, I will bid to the dearest of all places—"home, sweet home."

A. E. S*****

For the Democratic Pioneer.

MR. EDITOR:—We truly welcome with no small degree of pleasure, the early dawn of mellow autumn, as being the sure harbinger of more pleasant days. Old Sol has, to the joy of our hearts, mitigated the severity of his fiery indignation, which has visited many a wreck of humanity that moves upon this mundane sphere. Though soon shall we be invoked to witness the wondrous metamorphosis of verdant fields and the gorgeous trappings that spread their variegated hues over nature's visage, to the saddening appearance of autumn's robe; yet with her golden pomp, her solemn notes that ever chant the requiem of departed summer, to the reflective mind, whose nature claims this to be a congenial channel, it is a time that inspires us with feelings of a contemplative and subduing character. Delightful autumn. Hallowed season. Fit emblem of declining years of human life; when the mind should realize the force of the ebbing current of human existence. For when the joyousness of youth, with its vivacity, its gaiety and ever-varying verandry of thought, has departed with the last traces of summer's eve; stern manhood gradually approaches, to the autumn of life, with its mature deliberations, and spirit of energy; whose mind is to be stamped during the fitful period of life, either with the opprobrium of a sordid mammoth, or receive the kind approbation of an enlightened public for the nobleness and purity of its aspirations.

The Florida Indians have been recently creating some excitement in consequence of their belligerent disposition in committing several murders. It is astonishing that they should continue to be such a pest and annoyance to the citizens of that portion of Florida. I have been informed from an authentic source, that there were about four hundred and fifty warriors, skulking about in the everglades and hammocks of eastern Florida, commanded by the celebrated "Billy Bowlegs," who has in those parts considerable notoriety as an Indian chief. "Billy" is said to be of quite a pacific disposition, having frequently had familiar intercourse with the whites in this section of Florida, as well as where he now lives; but in consequence of the native hostility and importunities of those with whom he is surrounded, he is often characterized as the perpetrator of cruel and atrocious acts. The government it seems to me, should adopt some method of suppressing the frequent commission of such deeds, or else exterminate this remnant of a hostile tribe, who have prior to this time, ever been averse to according to any proposition of treaty. Though "Old Bowlegs" is reputed to be of an amiable nature at times; yet from evidences of a striking character, he must be invested with an artful and deceptive garb, too glaring to be concealed or too manifest to retain the confidence of any.

He has frequently visited Washington City, once very recently, decorated in all the paraphernalia of his office, with a degree of pompous air, more compatible with the dignity of a military chieftain, commanding his legions; ostensibly for the purpose of entering into some equitable and just stipulations, and would make every promise requisite as a preliminary step; but so soon as he would return to his native and congenial wilderness, surrounded by all the elements of hostility and bestial savagism, he violates every oral obligation, however solemn, previously and voluntarily given.

Under similar circumstances, should they again occur, I would humbly suggest the propriety of instituting coercive measures, for the purpose of consummating the desired end; which would only be effected by their transportation from their present locality, to some other sphere sufficiently congenial to their benighted condition, but more conducive to the gradual development of their moral and intellectual natures. And though the white man may claim their "forest pray" and the spot upon which their rude hut stands, made dear to them, around which the frequent repetition of the war song has been heard to sound in gladsome notes upon the hill and in the vale, and reverberate amid the deep recesses of the impervious forest, suppose we say there seemed to be a semblance of injustice; yet the tide of civilization and enlightenment, year, the hallowed power of the gospel itself, is pressing forward to illuminate; and must make their benign and elevating impression upon such darkness by the brightness of their nature.

All parts of the globe are destined to receive their ameliorating influence. Hence the end justifies the means. And although coercion should be the watch word, where there is an equitable treaty, notwithstanding it might serve some native ties, and mar those cherished associations, clustering around their mind, when they, with their last lingering looks, may bid farewell to the hallowed spot, and depart from the shores where their fathers as emanating from the introduction of christianity and science, in dispelling the forest gloom and paving the way for the

arts, which exert their controlling influence over the destiny of the world, justify a rigid course. The hideous yell of the savage, "that rend the dark welkin" is supplanted by the sound of the artisan's active implement, while, for their discordant whoops, the sweet and symphonious sounds of science are heard, whose tendency is to elevate refine and etherealize. Order, industry and enlightened society are established in the place of chaos, sloth and nighted savage state; while at the same time, this incipient process lays the permanent basis for the greatness and glory of a people or nation. Such a policy is surely dictated by the most enlightened reason; and nothing short of that fatuity which is the offspring of a sickening and morbid philanthropy, could tolerate a different course.

Should a person entertain a serious doubt as regards the justice or expediency of such a policy, the idea of a perpetuation of that primeval darkness of mind, which originally brooded over the extensive domains of the western world, would be sufficiently revolting to an enlightened mind, to acquiesce in any well regulated or judicious policy, whose legitimate tendency would result in the transformation of society, and the bestowal of such inestimable blessings upon the world. But my paper is full.

NASSAU COUNTY, FLA. C. E. B.

HEITFORD, N. C., Sept. 25th.

DEAR SIR:—I wrote you from Baltimore that I would be ready to answer the certificate of Samuel R. Harrell Esq., in your next issue.

I was compelled to go north on business and in the meantime asked a friend to see those gentlemen upon whom I shall rely to sustain every word I have uttered in my communication.

That friend has been unable to see one of the persons, who with others will sustain all I may have said, as having taken place between Mr. Harrell and myself. I have also the certificate of A. Smith Jordan, denying in emphatic terms that he ever uttered the language imputed to him by Harrell &c., and that upon no occasion did I ever make any such statement to him.

I feel unwilling to say more at this time as I have learned since my return, from a friend, every way reliable, that he had seen Mr. Harrell, and he thinks Mr. Harrell will do me ample justice without a resort to those sources of information. I have been requested, and in deference to that friend, I forbear further comment.

I now only wish to add that I hereby pledge myself to the public to sustain every word that I have uttered, without the fear of contradiction.

Yours &c., J. PARKER JORDAN. L. D. STARK, Esq.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING IN WASHINGTON—DISTURBANCE—PRE-MATURE ADJOURNMENT.

In accordance with a previous notice, in writing, for the Democrats of Washington, and all those friendly to equal laws and equal rights, to meet for the purpose of organizing an association, in opposition to the enemies of civil and religious freedom, several thousands of persons assembled on Wednesday evening, on the western side of Carus's Saloon, in that city, where a platform had been erected, ornamented with flags. A fine band of music performed several airs, including "Jordan's hard road to travel." A telegraphic dispatch to the Baltimore Sun gives the following account of the proceedings:

The assemblage was immense, filling the entire square. Colonel Berret, postmaster, was appointed chairman, with nineteen vice presidents and five secretaries.

A committee reported resolutions declaring unwavering attachment to the constitution, repudiating Know Nothingism and all other secret associations, disavowing former differences between whigs and democrats, and urging all to now unite in one common cause in support of the constitution.

The report also approved the course of the administration, and expected the Departments to be purged of Know Nothings. During the reading of the report, the secretary was frequently interrupted by individual voices, but without replying.

The report having been read, the chair introduced Hon. Thomas B. Florence, but before he could speak a word such scenes of howling, laughing and ridicule were evinced with a fixed determination to defeat the proceedings, that the chairman, with his characteristic urbanity, appealed to the crowd as gentlemen, citizens of Washington to give the distinguished speaker a respectful hearing. For a moment the clamor subsided, and Mr. Florence commenced, but at the close of the first sentence the uproar was resumed with greater violence, and continued for some time.

Col. Florence calmly retained his position, when Daniel Ratcliffe, Esq. advanced and in terms of severity reproached the Know Nothings for their determined and persevering efforts to "overthrow" the constitution and a "member of All, however, was of no avail, the clamor became more vociferous; meanwhile the democrats and others assembled under the call, remained perfectly passive.

Justice John D. Clark voluntarily sprung forward, much excited, and gave his views of Know-Nothingism, which were received with great merizement. He called on the Mayor and police to preserve order. The confusion continued to increase when, on motion of Mr. Ratcliffe, the meeting adjourned until 3 o'clock next Friday afternoon.

The vast crowd then dispersed, quietly, all apparently astonished at this successful effort to suppress the liberty of speech before such an audience, with such an organization, and orators in the great metropolis of the nation, without personal violence.

A STRIKE.—"I ain't a goin to be called a printer's devil any longer—no more I ain't," exclaimed our imp the other day in a great pucker.

Well what shall we call you?

Call me typographical spirit of evil, if you please—that's all.

A MARRIAGE AT NATCHEZ.

marriage though very common, is a most important event, and there is no taking place. Let it be private or public, old and the young bachelors and bachelorettes on witnessing the interchanges which makes two willing partners, know of the fact. What is interesting, it was a "runaway" old-fashioned paragon, a girl got married by steam. It was Col. B. W. Vick, of Maryland, a member of a charming lady, noble State, (Miss Enders) finding he could not make a home, owing to one of the causes of objection doubtless to the good city of Washington, known to us as before mentioned, was one thing worthy of gallant Colonel's arrangements, proves that he will make a husband! What do you think? Why he brought his new bride, probably that he might not be a gentleman was the name of a North Carolina, who was in a most solemn and appropriate manner, the sister of the bridegroom. They returned last night on this morning train. Though I do not know the names, we, who inquire into such things, by sweet experience know that marriage is a noble thing, and gives to the tender and the bride a Paradise below.

PERPETUAL MOTION.

Perpetual motion has been covered—unless there is a doubt about it—if we may believe the Journal of Commerce.

Mr. James G. Harrell, of Monmouth county, New Jersey, and done it. After his "whittling" he has made it, not only of gold, but of silver, and divers other bodies to which to go like water, in short it is a success in the direction of having long labored in vain, of arms and all sorts of machinery, and therefore to give constant indication to the machine requires no further effort. The Harrells, and it goes on "Life." The model is in the city, and needed to be made, which it turned without a breath. We see no reason not to go until worn out.

ASTORIA, 20th Nov. So. Clay, son of Henry Clay, editor of the Lexington (Ky.) paper, reports that Mr. New York, has just been to purchase Ashland, the place of the late Henry Clay, and says, "New Ashland for sale." I must say, for my own part, I am not averse to the purchase of the place.

On Monday the 11th September, (Clare), Claret, Md. to the Harrell, Mr. JOSEPH G. GRAY, and MARY J. SKINNER, of Pennsylvania.

DEATHS.

Died in this town on the 23d inst., infant son of Wm. L. Shannon, age 10 months.

Died, at his residence in this town, on Monday inst., of congestive fever, S. H. Shannon, Esq., in the 70th year of his age, and three children, a large circle of relatives and friends, his loss.

MARRIED.

On the 12th inst., by the Rev. Mr. JESSE C. JACOBS, of the Methodist Church, of Baltimore, Miss M. A. COTTON, of Baltimore.

Also at the same time and place, F. E. HUBERT, of Baltimore, and Miss M. A. COTTON, of Baltimore.

On Monday the 11th September, (Clare), Claret, Md. to the Harrell, Mr. JOSEPH G. GRAY, and MARY J. SKINNER, of Pennsylvania.

Died in this town on the 23d inst., infant son of Wm. L. Shannon, age 10 months.

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NORFOLK MARK.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 25.

BACON—Virginia and North Carolina. Saled in lots varying from 10 to 25 cwt. at 15 cts.

WHEAT—Red, 81 cts; White, 82 cts.

FLOUR—80 cts.

PLASTER—81 cts.

PORK—81 cts.

STAVES—W. O. Pipe, 80 cts.

244. R. O. Whit, 83 cts a cwt.

780. Rough W. O. 84. 84 cts.

COTTON—Seed, 6 cts.

LARD—10 cts.

FEAS—B. E. 1 1/2 cts.

BALTIMORE MARK

MARINE REPORT.

For the week ending yesterday.

JOSEPH T. M'CAH, REPORTER.

ARRIVED.

John Ann, Keller, from West Indies
A. M. P. Whedbee, Hilt, from Baltimore
Stagg, Chaudhry, from Norfolk
John Boushell, Wynne, from Baltimore
Ann D. Collins, Thornton, from Norfolk
Berrie, Gray, from Alexandria
Osola, from Baltimore
Charlotte, Willis, from Norfolk
Arham, Hubbard, do
Pennsylvania, do
Schultz, Halsey, from Nag's Head.

SAILED.

Surpass, McCabe, to Baltimore.
Sarah Ann, Simmons, do
John, Meyer, to Norfolk.
Susan & Margaret, Hobbs, do
Dorcas & Eliza, Sykes, do
Mary Louisa, Owens, to Alexandria
Ben Franklin, Ives, to Deep Creek
Engene, Cohoon, to Norfolk
Rouake, Armer, do
Ugill, Sawyer, do
Montrey, Payner, do
D. V. Sessions, Lyon, do

EXCURSION TO BALTIMORE.

CATERFAIR AND CATHOW.

James Cannon, will make an excursion to Baltimore on MONDAY, October 24, at 10 o'clock, leaving from the depot at 10 o'clock, and returning on the same day at 4 o'clock. The excursion is for the purpose of visiting the Falls and the city of Baltimore. The fare is 25 cents. The excursion is open to all persons who wish to visit the Falls and the city of Baltimore. The excursion is open to all persons who wish to visit the Falls and the city of Baltimore.

FERGUSON & MILHARD.

AGENTS.

ROBERTA AND MARRIAGE SPECIFIC.—Through the earnest solicitation of many persons who have used the Medicine put up in the name of the FERGUSON & MILHARD, the following is a list of the names of the persons who have been cured of the disease. The names are as follows:—

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Covered Pans, pint to 20 quarts.

Cans, 1 to 16 quarts; Wash Bowls, 3 sizes.

Diaper Pans, 4 sizes, from Tall oval.

Sauce Pans, pint to 8 quarts.

Milk strainers, plain and patent.

Milking Pails, 2 sizes; Candy Moulds.

Ornamental and sundry other articles.

Funnels, 5 inch; Nest Boxes, 1 pint and 4 1/2.

Measures, gill to 4 quart.

Oil Cans, 1 gal to 10 gals.

Oil stands, 15 to 120 gals.

Japanned Goods, of every description.

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Sauce Pans, all sizes, tinned.

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French stove pans, for 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100.

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